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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 5, with the

following rewritten paragraph:

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PREFERENCE IS MADE to commonly assigned, co-pending U.S. putent applications Serial No. 09/976,344, entitled: HYBRID CAMERAS HAVING ELECTRONIC IMAGE CONVERSION TO SELECTED GEOMETRIC FORMATS AND METHODS, filed 12 October 2001, in the name of Stephen G. Malloy Desormeaux; Serial No. 09/976,583, entitled: CAMERAS HAVING FILM UNIT DEPENDENT DEMONSTRATION MODE IMAGE DELETION AND METHODS, filed 12 October 2001, in the names of Stephen G Malloy Desormeaux and Robert Luke Walker, Serial No. 09/976,489, entitled: HYBRID CAMERAS THAT REVISE STORED ELECTRONIC IMAGE METADATA AT FILM UNIT REMOVAL AND METHODS, filed 12 October